

Force-Free Trainers – South Australia

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If none of the RSPCA Force-Free training classes are convenient for you, you will find a selection of other Force-Free training services below.

RSPCA South Australia is not able to officially endorse the following list, but does both advocate for and promote Force-Free training methods. Each trainer listed below has signed the following declaration based on the definition of 'Force-Free' by the [Pet Professional Guild](#):

“I confirm that only 'Force-Free' dog training methods are used, defined as:

No shock, No pain, No choke, No fear, No physical force, No compulsion based methods are employed to train or care for a pet.”

All of the trainers below hold at least a minimum force-free dog training qualification, the acronyms for which are at the end of this document along with the institutions offering them. They also have provided proof of continuing education which is requested every two years.

NB: Check chains & prong collars are not promoted or used under any circumstances by trainers on this list

The listings below are colour coded to help you find a trainer who offers the service you're looking for:

Puppy Pre-school

Pet Dog Training Classes

Private Training / Consultations

Adelaide, Eastern Adelaide and surrounding suburbs

Organisation and/or Contact Person	Qualifications & Services	Contact Details
Adelaide Pet Dog Training	Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services; CAP 1 & 2 Puppy pre-school at Stephen Terrace Veterinary Clinic Small group pet dog training courses held at Blackwood and Burnside. Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs.	Phone: (08) 8272 0018 Mobile: 0409 991 530 Email: bodil@petdogtraining.com.au Web: www.petdogtraining.com.au
AdelaideVet Goodwood Road Lena Logan Angela Beaton	Lena: BSc (Animal Behaviour). Professional Canine Trainer – Accredited (PPAB) Angela: Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school and Puppy University at AdelaideVet Goodwood Rd Private consultations at AdelaideVet Goodwood Road	Phone: (08) 8169 9755 Email: lenal@adelaidevet.com.au Email: behaviour@adelaidevet.com.au Web: www.adelaidevet.com.au

Organisation and/or Contact Person	Qualifications & Services	Contact Details
Balancing Act Adelaide Fiona De Rosa	Dip. Canine Behaviour Science & Technology Currently unavailable due to PhD studies	Mobile: 0431 863 357 Email: fiona@balancingactadelaide.com.au Web: www.balancingactadelaide.com.au
Bev Clark	Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at The Parade Veterinary Clinic, Norwood	Mobile: 0413 430 763 Email:
Canine Behavioural School Inc (CBS) Head Instructor: Kate Denman	Professional Canine Trainer – Accredited (PPAB), Canine Training Technician – Accredited (PPAB), Certificate IV Companion Animal Services Pet dog training classes held at Patterson Sportsground, Felixstow	Mobile: 0481 395 337 Email: info@caninebehaviouralschool.com.au Web: www.caninebehaviouralschool.com.au Online bookings essential
Puppy Partners Felice Case	Certificate IV Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at RSPCA Petville, Salisbury Highway Vet Surgery and St Bernards Road Vet Clinic. Private consultations in Eastern & Northern suburbs of Adelaide	Mobile: 0408 089 555 Email: PuppyPartners@outlook.com Web: www.PuppyPartners.com.au
Dog Knows Kate Denman	Professional Canine Trainer – Accredited (PPAB), Canine Training Technician – Accredited (PPAB), Certificate IV Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at St Bernards Rd Vet Clinic. Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs	Mobile: 0414 446 878 Email: woof@dogknows.com.au Web: www.dogknows.com.au
Pawly Understood	Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs	Mobile: 0468 451 313 Email: pawlyunderstood@gmail.com Web: www.pawlyunderstood.com
Petra Edwards	BSc (Animal Behaviour), Professional Canine Trainer - Accredited (PPAB), CAP1 & 2 Currently unavailable due to PhD studies in Animal Behaviour	Mobile: 0439 471 440 Email: petra@petraedwards.com Web: www.petraedwards.com

Organisation and/or Contact Person	Qualifications & Services	Contact Details
Sharon Milne	Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs	Mobile: 0400 447 675
Susanne Eckert	Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at Payneham Veterinary Centre, Walkerville Vet Surgery and Stephens Terrace Vet Clinic. Private consultations in Adelaide Metro area	Mobile: 0412 500 661 Email: jeneck@esc.net.au

Adelaide, Adelaide Hills and Murray Bridge

Organisation and/or Contact Person	Qualifications & Services	Contact Details
Family Pet Education Jess Dunduk	Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner (KPA CTP) Private consultations in North-East Adelaide and Adelaide Hills	Mobile: 0403 145 909 Email: jess.dunduk@yahoo.com.au Website: Family Pet Education
Scholars in Collars Alexis Davison	Certificate IV in Behavioural Dog Training, Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner (KPA CTP) Puppy pre-school in Stirling and Balhannah. Pet dog training classes held in Balhannah and Mt Barker. Private consultations Adelaide Hills, Eastern suburbs, Murray Bridge	Mobile: 0400 205 667 Email: alexis@scholarsincollars.com.au Web: www.scholarsincollars.com.au

Northern Suburbs & Rural SA

Organisation and/or Contact Person	Qualifications & Services	Contact Details
Barking up the Right Tree Dog Training Sharon Hobbs	Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Private consultations in Northern suburbs.	Mobile: 0468 780 438 Email: sharon@righttreedogtraining.com.au
Gawler Animal Hospital Tracey Taylor Sonia Van De Kamp	Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy playschool & senior puppy class. Private consultations and training	Phone: 08 8522 3500 Email: reception@gawlervets.com.au Website: https://www.gawlervets.com.au/services/

Organisation and/or Contact Person	Qualifications & Services	Contact Details
Joanne Davies	Cert IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at Semaphore Veterinary Surgery. Pet dog training classes Level 1 & 2 held on Birkenhead Reserve. Private consultations at Semaphore Vet Surgery.	Mobile: 0412 400 923 Email: svsdogtraining@gmail.com
Paws for Thought Dog Training Laura Brady	Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Pet dog training northern suburbs/hills.	Mobile: 0417 417 058 Email: laura_brady_au@hotmail.com
Positively Pawsome Training Solutions Sara Martin	Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Pet dog training classes & Delta Good Citizen Program in Nuriootpa. Private consultations in Barossa Valley and surrounding area. Online consultations	Mobile: 0437 795 520 Email: smartin@internode.on.net Website: https://positivelypawsome.com.au/

Southern Suburbs & Southern Fleurieu Peninsula

Organisation and/or Contact Person	Qualifications & Services	Contact Details
Onlead Force Free Dog Training Paula Dickerson	Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Walk and Train classes held at Aberfoyle Park Private consultations in Southern Suburbs	Mobile: 0409 878 334 Email: paula@onlead.com.au
PAWSitive Behavioural Dog Training Angela Beaton	Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Private consultations in Southern Suburbs	Email: angela.beaton@hotmail.com

Western Suburbs

Organisation and/or Contact Person	Qualifications & Services	Contact Details
Annabel Hamilton	Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner (KPA CTP) Private consultations in Adelaide and Western suburbs	Mobile: 0418 202 880 Email: annabelhamilton@hotmail.com
Canine Interaction Megan Molloy	Certificate IV in Dog Behavioural Training Pet dog training classes held at Croydon Park with puppy pre-school , basic & advanced dog training classes. Private consultations also available	Mobile: 0432 247 999 Email: info@canineinteraction.com.au Web: www.canineinteraction.com.au
Holdfast Dog Centre Megan Molloy	Certificate IV in Dog Behavioural Training Pet dog training classes held at Hove with puppy pre- school , basic, advanced, masters class & agility. Private consultations also available	Phone: : (08) 8377 0737 Email: info@holdfastdogcentre.com.au Web: www.holdfastdogcentre.com.au
Joanne Davies	Cert IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at Semaphore Veterinary Surgery. Pet dog training classes Level 1 & 2 held on Birkenhead Reserve. Private consultations at Semaphore Veterinary Surgery.	Mobile: 0412 400 923 Email: svsdogtraining@gmail.com
Taylorred Dog Training Tracey Taylor	Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Private consultations in northern and western suburbs, Gawler & Barossa	Mobile: 0422 056 455 Email: tt79@icloud.com Web: http://www.taylorreddogtraining.com.au

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Organisation and/or Contact Person	Qualifications & Services	Contact Details
Maree Neave	Certificate IV in Dog Behavioural Training Puppy pre-school held at Blue Lake Vet Clinic, Pet dog training classes held at Scout Hall in Margaret St. Private consultations available	Mobile: 0417 892 706 Email: maree@multimetals.com.au

See below for Trainer qualification details

Force Free Training Qualifications

Organisation	Qualification Acronyms
Animals on Course - Registered Training Organisation, Adelaide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cert IV CAS
CASI = Companion Animal Sciences Institute, James O’Heare, Canada	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dip CBST • Dip ABST
Delta Society Australia - Registered Training Organisation, Sydney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cert IV CAS
DogNostics, USA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DN-DTC • DN-DBCD
Institute of Modern Dog Trainers - membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IMDT
Karen Pryor Academy for Animal Training & Behavior, Melbourne / USA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KPA CTP – (KA)
Learning About Dogs – Kay Laurence, England	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAP 1 • CAP 2 • CAP 3 • CAP 4
PPAB: Pet Professional Accreditation Board. Not a teaching body	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTT-A • PCT-A • PCBC-A

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Veterinarians with Behavioural Expertise

Adelaide, Surrounding Suburbs, Adelaide Hills

Veterinarian & Practice	Qualifications	Contact Details
Dr Elle Parker <i>Pawly Understood</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MANZCVS – Behaviour • Bachelor of Veterinary Science (Hons) • Bachelor of veterinary medicine & surgery (Hons) <p>Private Behaviour consultations also available</p>	Mobile: 0468 451 313 Email: pawlyunderstood@gmail.com Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pawlyunderstood/

Veterinarian & Practice	Qualifications	Contact Details
Dr Elle Parker Dr Chalette Brown <i>Adelaide Vet</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Trinity Gardens</i> ➤ <i>Goodwood Road</i> ➤ <i>Prospect</i> ➤ <i>Stirling</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MANZCVS – Behaviour • Bachelor of Veterinary Science (Hons) • Bachelor of veterinary medicine & surgery (Hons) • Bsc DVM MANZCVS (Veterinary Behaviour) 	https://adelaidevet.com.au/behaviour-consulting Tel: Goodwood Road - 8169 9755

Southern Suburbs

Veterinarian & Practice	Qualifications	Contact Details
Dr Tracey Henderson <i>Adelaide Veterinary Behaviour Services</i> <i>McLaren Vale</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSc BVMS MANZCVSc (Veterinary Behaviour) 	Phone: (08) 7480 0597 Email: info@avbs.net.au

Northern Suburbs

Organisation and/or Contact Person	Qualifications & Services	Contact Details
Dr Ian McBryde <i>Salisbury Highway Veterinary Surgery</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Salisbury</i> ➤ <i>Paralowie</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BVMS, BSc - Veterinarian/Practice Owner • Keen interest in canine and feline behaviour 	Phone: (08) 8258 7978 Email: info@shvs.com.au